A PROCLAMATION of the **City of Covington**

WHEREAS,

behavioral health is an essential part of health and one's overall wellness and prevention works, treatment is effective, and people can and do recover from substance use and mental disorders; and

WHEREAS,

it is critical to educate our policymakers, friends, family members, health care providers, and businesses that substance use and mental disorders are treatable and that people should seek assistance for these conditions with the same urgency as they would any other health condition because recovery in all its forms is possible and also encourages citizens and communities to take action to help expand, improve and support the availability of effective recovery services; and

WHEREAS,

there are millions of Americans whose lives have been transformed through recovery and these successes often go unnoticed by the broader population; NOW, THEREFORE,

We, the City Council of the City of Covington, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2011 as

National Recovery Month

in the City of Covington and call upon the people of Covington to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies supporting this year's theme, "Join the Voices for Recovery: Recovery Benefits Everyone."

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this 23rd day of August in the year two thousand eleven.

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